

Syrian soldier killed in Beirut battle

BEIRUT (R) — A Syrian soldier was killed and two were wounded Friday when a shell slammed into their position during fighting between rival Palestinian factions at two refugee camps in Beirut, Palestinian sources said. They said the Syrians were manning a position southeast of Shatila camp, where two people were killed and several were wounded. Shatila is a shell hit a vegetable market there. Syrian troops deployed around Shatila and Bourj Al Barajneh camp in April last year to end three years of battles between the Amal militia and Palestinian fighters. At least 100 people have been killed and more than 20 injured since battles began Thursday night between fighters loyal to Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat and supporters of the pro-Syrian breakaway faction of Abu Musa. The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) put the casualty toll from the mortar, rocket and machinegun fire exchanges at six dead and more than 30 wounded. The Palestinian sources said Syrian officers in Beirut warned the warring Palestinian factions that Damascus would retaliate if its soldiers came under fire again.

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Britain, Iran reach broad agreement

LONDON (Agencies) — Britain and Iran reached broad agreement Friday on settling mutual compensation claims for damage to their embassies which will cost Britain nearly £1 million (\$1.8 million). A Foreign Office spokesman said that under the proposal Britain would pay Iran £1.8 million (\$3.2 million) and Iran would give Britain £900,000 (\$1.6 million).

Afghan programme needs \$1.166 billion

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United Nations Friday called on the world community to donate more than \$1 billion over 18 months to help the people of Afghanistan resettle their war-tattered nation. Sadruddin Aga Khan, coordinator of the U.N.'s humanitarian and economic assistance programme for Afghanistan, said the \$1.166-billion relief programme was intended to see the Afghan people through two crop cycles.

S. African activist rebuked for remarks

JOHANNESBURG (R) — Anti-apartheid groups in South Africa rebuked a leading black activist Friday for remarks made after a visit to Israel. Soweto community leader Nthato Motlana spent a week in Israel last month as guest of the government and was quoted as saying that South African blacks were wrong to compare their plight with that of Palestinians under Israeli occupation. An open letter "to the Palestinian people and the PLO," signed by 24 youth, women and community organizations, said: "We are dismayed and embarrassed at the callous statements that he has uttered about the struggle of the Palestinian people."

Managua, contras trade charges

MANAGUA (AP) — The leftist Sandinista government and the U.S.-backed contra rebels traded charges Friday on who was responsible for a fourth breakdown in talks aimed at ending their almost eight-year-old war. A banner headline in the Sandinista newspaper Barricada said: "Contras sink and deny peace." A rebel clandestine Radio Liberation broadcast said: "The Sandinistas don't want agreements for peace and democracy." The two sides failed Thursday to define a March 23 agreement that seeks democratic reforms and a definitive ceasefire.

U.S. speaker under inquiry

WASHINGTON (R) — The U.S. House of Representatives Ethics Committee announced Friday it was launching a preliminary inquiry into six charges of misconduct against Speaker Jim Wright. Wright, a Democrat from Texas, said the charges, mostly based on press reports that appeared some years ago, were politically motivated and issued a lengthy rebuttal.

Soviet spacecraft docks with space station

MOSCOW (R) — A Soyuz spacecraft carrying Bulgaria's second spaceman and two Soviet cosmonauts docked with the orbiting space station Mir Thursday, the official news agency TASS said. Soyuz TM-5 docked with Mir at 7:57 p.m. local time (15:57 GMT), TASS said. That was two days, five hours and 53 minutes after it was launched

UNIFIL soldier wounded in clash

MARJAYOUN (R) — A Norwegian soldier with the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) was wounded Friday in an exchange of machinegun fire with pro-Israeli militiamen in South Lebanon, sources said. They said the clash erupted between Norwegian soldiers manning a checkpoint in the Fardis area near the town of Hasbaya inside Israel's self-declared "security zone" and a patrol of the South Lebanon Army (SLA).

Algiers statement criticises U.S., urges implementation of 598

Arab leaders pledge total support, aid for Palestinian uprising

Combined agency dispatches

ALGIERS — Arab leaders concluded a three-day extraordinary Arab summit here late Thursday with a pledge to extend all support for the Palestinian uprising in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza.

The Arab leaders criticised American Middle East policies and reaffirmed rejection of all

peace initiatives that exclude the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

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Israelis arrest 'suspect' in stabbing, journalists, destroy Jalazoun home

JALAZOUN, occupied West Bank (Agencies) — Israeli forces arrested a 26-year-old Palestinian suspected of stabbing the Israeli-appointed mayor of the West Bank town of Al Birh and demolished his cinderblock house Friday in the Jalazoun refugee camp.

Israel Radio reported the suspect "confessed" to the attempted assassination, but the army would only confirm his arrest. Villagers said soldiers arrested the suspect, Khamis Jawdat Faraj, late Thursday night.

Arab news reports said, meanwhile, that the army arrested two Palestinian reporters and a writer in a continuing crackdown on Arab journalists. An Israeli newspaper report said the military may shut down West Bank schools again.

It took about half an hour for a large, yellow bulldozer to destroy the three-room house where Faraj lived with his 60-year-old mother. Only an almond tree, palm tree and rose bush were left standing in the yard after the demolition.

"They are destroying our house — I don't know what for," said the suspect's mother, Nozha Faraj, who watched the army operation from next door.

Faraj was arrested in connection with the stabbing Tuesday of Hassan Tawil, the 74-year-old mayor of Al Birh.

Tawil was stabbed in the chest

NATO urges early talks on troop reductions

MADRID (AP) — The 16 North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) foreign ministers ended their spring meeting Friday by calling for early negotiations to reduce troops in Europe and pledging to study a more equitable sharing of defence costs between the United States and its allies.

In a joint declaration, the foreign ministers said successful negotiations with the Warsaw Pact on conventional force reductions depended on "substantial" results on human rights.

"It's got to be a balanced package," said Lord Carrington, the NATO secretary-general, who will retire at the end of the month.

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz called on the alliance to be jolted by conciliatory gestures from Moscow.

"I am not satisfied that anyone is pulling their weight satisfactorily," Shultz said. "We have to jolt each other up all the time."

Negotiations between East and West on troop reductions in central Europe have limped along for 15 years without any results. The planned new negotiations between NATO and the seven-nation communist bloc would be more ambitious, seeking to reduce tensions throughout Europe.

Shevardnadze: No formal Israel ties until peace conference

UNITED NATIONS (Agencies) — Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze said Thursday an Israeli consul general would visit the Soviet Union next month but that full diplomatic relations cannot be restored until Israel agrees to an international peace conference in the Middle East.

Shevardnadze made the statement to reporters after a meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Both men described as friendly and useful but without any breakthrough.

The Soviet minister also said emigration of Soviet Jews was continuing and that there were "no obstacles, but some constraints" — which he identified as "military secrets only."

"I would not call this meeting a new stage in relations, but it was useful meeting," Shevardnadze told a news conference.

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"If we can convene an international conference," Shevard-

nadze said, "that would make it possible to settle the problems of our diplomatic relations."

Asked if the Soviet Union would not restore full diplomatic relations without a U.N.-sponsored conference, Shevardnadze answered, "Yes." He said a conference was the only way to reach a comprehensive settlement of the Middle East problem.

"Let us convene a conference on a Middle East settlement," he said. "And let us also hold serious discussions in settling our relations... if we convene a conference, that would make it possible to settle the problem of our relations with Israel."

Shamir told reporters the 1-hour, 50-minute session was "very friendly, productive and useful," and that he hoped for more talks and eventual restoration of relations.

However, he stood firm against an international peace conference.

Two weeks after he sacked them supposedly for corruption, economic mismanagement, and lack of Islamic fervour, appeared to confirm the view that one of his main aims was to cut back the growing power of his former prime minister, the analysts said.

Mohammad Khan Junejo defected with Zia on foreign policy, notably over Afghanistan, and threatened to reveal incompetence in the army, they said.

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not the PML.

Zia has been busy since launching what has become known as "the constitutional coup," in which he disbanded the National Assembly and dismissed Junejo and his 33-member cabinet May 29.

He took 12 days to announce the new cabinet, longer than he had originally planned. Officials said Zia would perform the role of prime minister and would not fill the post.

Zia initially hinted that he would order elections for a new National Assembly within 90 days, as called for in the nation's constitution.

He described the new cabinet as caretaker, saying it would function between now and the election of a new assembly. But no date has been set for the elections.

Zia appoints interim government

ISLAMABAD (Agencies) — President Mohammad Zia Ul Haq has appointed an interim Pakistani government which political analysts said would extend his own power but also signalled he would hold elections as promised.

Zia took the oath at noon from 18 ministers at his residence in the capital.

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His Majesty King Hussein is seen off late Thursday from Algiers by President Chadli Benjedid (not in photo) and senior Algerian officials (Petra photo)

King arrives in London after attending summit

LONDON (Agencies) — His Majesty King Hussein arrived in London early Friday for a private visit and talks with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

A Jordanian embassy spokeswoman told the AP the King planned to see Thatcher sometime next week. The spokeswoman gave no details.

The King flew into London from Algiers, where he attended the emergency Arab summit.

The King is accompanied by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem.

The King was seen off from Algeria by Algerian President Chadli Benjedid and senior Algerian officials as well as Arab League Secretary General Chadli Klibi.

Upon his departure from Algiers the King sent a cable to Benjedid expressing appreciation for his efforts at the conference and wishing him success in his endeavours to serve his country and the Arab Nation.

The King said the president's efforts were instrumental to the success of the summit.

Maghreb leaders hold first summit

ALGIERS (R) — Five Maghreb states held the first summit in their history on Friday despite last-minute incidents marring newly-patched-up relations.

The meeting was led by leaders of Libya, Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco and Mauritania, who have long dreamed of overcoming local disputes to form a powerful regional grouping.

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, who has mediated in Algeria and Morocco's quarrel over the Western Sahara, also attended the meeting at Algerian President Chadli Benjedid's summer residence at Zeralda, outside Algiers.

Newsmen were invited to the residence, where the leaders chatted briefly before going into a luncheon and the first such talks of Maghreb countries since independence.

The summit followed the restoration of diplomatic ties between Algeria and Morocco last month after a 12-year break. Tunisia and Libya restored ties in December after a two-year rift.

The five leaders at the Maghreb meeting were Morocco's King Hassan, Benjedid, Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi, Tunisian President Zine Al-Abedine Ibn Ali and Mauritanian President Maaouya Ould Taya.

King Hassan, who had been indirectly snubbed by Qaddafi because of his contacts with Israel, broke the ice in the presence of reporters by addressing Qaddafi as "brother Muammar."

Qaddafi's snub was delivered when the Libyan leader was heard by delegates to say during a summit of the Arab League, which ended here Thursday, that he was wearing a white glove on his right hand so as not to have to

shake hands with a leader he did not wish to greet.

Libyan delegates said the meeting was aimed at King Hassan, whose 1986 meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres was bitterly condemned by Qaddafi.

In another incident which threatened to damage the mood of reconciliation among the five, King Hassan boycotted a dinner given by Benjedid Wednesday night because a representative of Polisario, an Algerian-backed guerrilla group at war with Rabat over the Western Sahara, was invited.

But officials said that incident was considered closed when Benjedid and King Hassan met after the dinner.

2 killed in Iraqi raids in Gulf

BAHRAIN (AP) — Iraqi warplanes raided a tanker off the Iranian coast at dawn Friday a day after an Iraqi aircraft missile slammed into a salvage tugboat serving Iranian vessels, killing two of its seamen.

The attacks shattered a two-week lull in the so-called "tanker war," a spinoff from the Iran-Iraq war.

They appeared to herald a fresh surge in the Iraqi attempt to blockade Iranian oil shipping lanes after Iraq secured support from the Algiers Arab summit meeting for its efforts to force Iran to accept U.N. Security Council Resolution 598 (see page 4).

Gulf-based shipping executives had no immediate confirmation of the attack. But they said that a similar Baghdad announcement Thursday later proved to refer to a small salvage tugboat, Salver, which flies the Singapore flag and operates for the Iranians in the northern parts of the Gulf.

The London-based Lloyd's shipping intelligence unit, which monitors maritime traffic around the world, said two seamen aboard the 742-ton Salver were killed.

Iraq welcomes summit result

Iraq's First Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan praised the outcome of the Algiers summit on his return Friday after representing Iraq.

The Iraqi News Agency (INA) quoted Ramadan as saying "the summit's result concerning the Iran-Iraq war was positive."

Iraq won a victory at the summit Thursday night when the final statement condemned Iran for intransigence in the war.

Shultz assails Dukak's Jerusalem position

WASHINGTON (R) — Secretary of State George Shultz Friday called Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis's support for moving the U.S. embassy in Israel to occupied Jerusalem "shocking," saying it would ruin Middle East peace efforts. "It would ruin it (the peace effort)," Shultz said in a television interview. "It would be a gigantic mistake, and it's shocking that anyone would make such a proposal." He said it would be a mistake because Jerusalem is part of Israeli-occupied Arab states, and its status must be negotiated between Israel and the Arab states. "I have no doubt that the capital of Israel will stay there, it will be a unified city and so on," Shultz said. "But in the meantime, you want to proceed with negotiations you don't wind up in effect declaring an outcome that hasn't been agreed to yet. So it would be a bad mistake."

Dukakis was quoted in a Los Angeles Times interview May 26 as saying the United States should move the U.S. embassy in Israel to occupied Jerusalem from Tel Aviv in view of Israel's claim that Jerusalem is its capital.

Jordan celebrates two national anniversaries

AMMAN (J.T.) — Jordan Friday celebrated the Great Arab Revolt and Army Day anniversaries commemorating the endeavours of the leaders of the Great Arab Revolt and their armed forces in their struggle to achieve liberation, unity and independence for the Arab Nation.

A statement issued by the Jordan News Agency, Petra, said the revolt, led by Sharif Hussein Ibn Ali, broke out in 1916 to bring liberation and freedom for all Arabs from colonial rule.

It said that the Jordanian Armed Forces would continue to serve as a shield, protecting the Arab Nation from aggression and from external dangers.

On this occasion the Royal Court received cables of good wishes addressed to His Majesty King Hussein. The cables were sent by the acting prime minister, the chief Islamic justice, the mayor of Amman, heads of public and private organisations and prominent Jordanian figures as well as the directors-general of the Public Security, Civil Defence and General Intelligence departments.

On the occasion of the two anniversaries celebrations were held throughout the Kingdom. The celebrations included school festivities, charitable bazaars, sports events and meetings.

Khasawneh: Ties with PLO unrelated to national stand

LONDON (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein regards the Palestine problem as a pan-Arab and national commitment regardless of relations between Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), and the Palestine question will remain a preoccupation for all Arabs in general and for Jordan in particular, Minister of Information Hani Khasawneh was Friday quoted as saying.

The London-based Arabic-language Al Sharq Al Awsat magazine quoted Khasawneh as saying that regardless of relations with the PLO, Jordan would continue to support the Palestinian people until the end



Professor Gastone Primon, ceramics instructor discussing the work with one of his students at the Salt Handicraft Training Centre

Moulding the artisans in Salt

Test and photos
by Meg Abu Hamdan
Special to the Jordan Times

SALT — With its 30 fulltime students fully and quietly absorbed in the many aspects of designing and producing cloth and ceramics, the Salt Handicraft Training Centre has the feel about it of a long established institute. This combined Italian-Jordanian project only became fully operational however last February, yet in the short period of its existence the centre seems to have already settled down to become a permanent part of life in the old city.

Located in the basement of the new Salt Cultural Centre, the Salt Handicraft Training Centre's main function is to train young Jordanians from all over the country in the crafts of weaving and ceramics. The aims behind the scheme are multi-fold but the main goal is basically to preserve and develop local handicrafts that today risk disappearing due to poor job opportunities. It is also felt, particularly by the Italians involved in the project, that if these activities are neglected much irreversible damage is done such as "mass migrations towards big cities or foreign countries, the

flight from the countryside, environmental degradation, the extinction of arts and trades that have been deeply rooted in the local culture for centuries and finally the loss of social identity."

The young artisans who will study at the centre will thus be trained not only to be proficient in their fields but also to be able to relaunch and spread their trades throughout the country.

Revitalising city centre

The direct consequence of being based in Salt is that the Handicraft Training Centre also helps fulfil another objective, that of revitalising the central business district of the city which is now in a sad state of neglect and disrepair despite its considerable historical and architectural importance. It is hoped that, once trained, the artisans will be able to reuse the old shops in the souk area as their ateliers and in this way will help contribute to the city's urban restoration and to the development of cultural and tourist activities related to it.

The final and perhaps one of the most important aims of the centre is to create new job opportunities for the young, notably for women, who are the most heavily

hit by unemployment.

The initial idea for a handicraft school in Salt began with mayor of Salt, Dr. Abdul Razzak Al Nsour whose request in 1984 for such a place was channelled through the Ministry of Planning to the Italian government. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs agreed to help and pledged to contribute JD 600,000 towards the scheme. After a sociological survey, the Italians via their implementing company COTECNO, worked out the programme and the didactic activity of the centre. They then equipped the workshops and assigned three experts, Professor Claudio Cimino as coordinator, Professor Barbara Martini as weaving instructor and Professor Gastone Primon as ceramics instructor. In September six of the Jordanian students presently training at the centre will be sent on eight month scholarships to Italy to specialise further in their respective fields after which they will form the core of local instructors. The Jordanian contribution to the scheme, implemented by the Salt Development Corporation (SDC) and the Noor Al Hussein Foundation (NHF) was to provide the staff and the premises for the handicraft centre, to fit it out and supply office and classroom furniture. The SDC and the NHF are also committed for the duration of the scheme to supply the raw materials needed, to pay overheads and air tickets to Italy for all Jordanian students.

This technical cooperation programme between Italy and Jordan will continue for a further two years, ending in August 1990.

Training the instructors

For the time being the handicraft centre will only provide tuition in weaving and ceramics but later it is hoped training will

be extended to include other crafts such as embroidery, glass work, hide and skin treatment and metal work and goldsmithing. The students presently enrolled at the centre have secondary school degrees as they are being trained specifically to become instructors. Starting in September 1988, however, the students will be selected, through simple tests and interviews, from among those who have finished the ordinary intermediate cycle provided for by the Jordanian educational system. A maximum of 15 students will be enrolled for each of the two courses. During the three year courses these students will not only learn all the basic techniques involved in all aspects of either ceramics or weaving but will also be given an elementary background in art, design and in the history of art.

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The courses will be free of charge to the students but it is hoped that once the school starts functioning properly it will be possible to sell the crafts made by the students to offset some of the running costs.

Once the students graduate it is hoped they will organise themselves in an artisan cooperative in Salt. This cooperative could take on its own independent activity while remaining in contact with the centre and the SDC for con-

tinued training.

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sultancy and assistance. "In this way," Dr. Cerboni added, "the school will remain a point of reference."

Research by the Italians has shown that the market for future artisans will be mostly aiming at will not be the tourist market, although obviously important, but the local one, producing cheap goods that can be used daily by housewives or more expensive items for decoration.

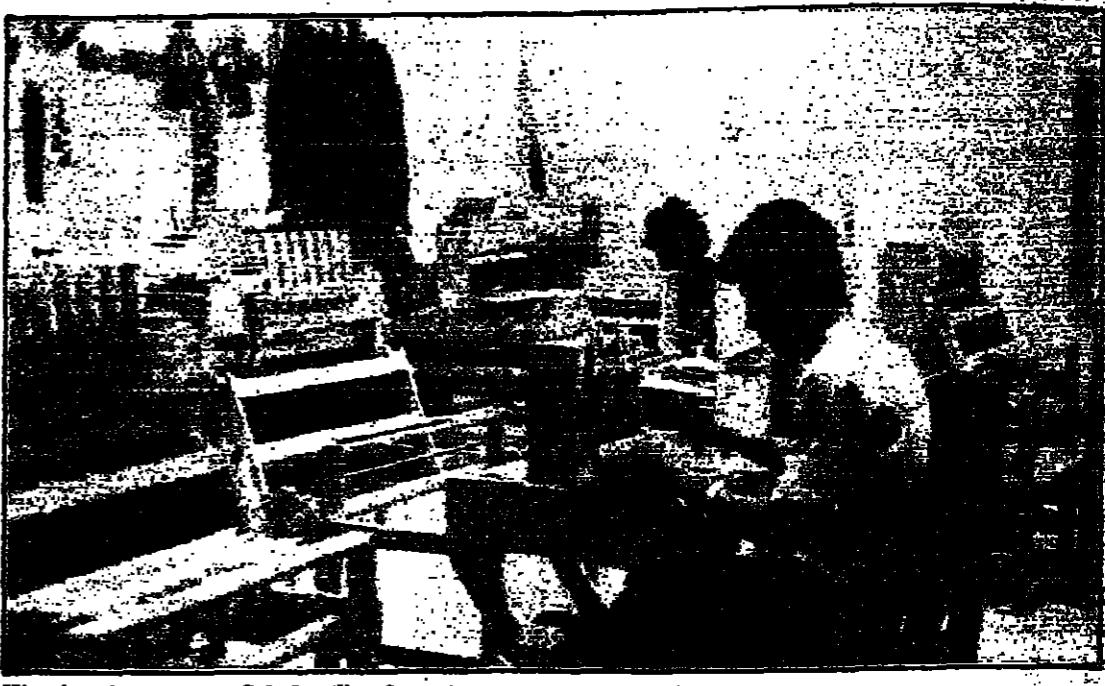
Short courses

In addition to the main three year courses, the centre will also offer short courses in ceramics and weaving for interested adults as well as refresher courses for professionals who wish to update their skills.

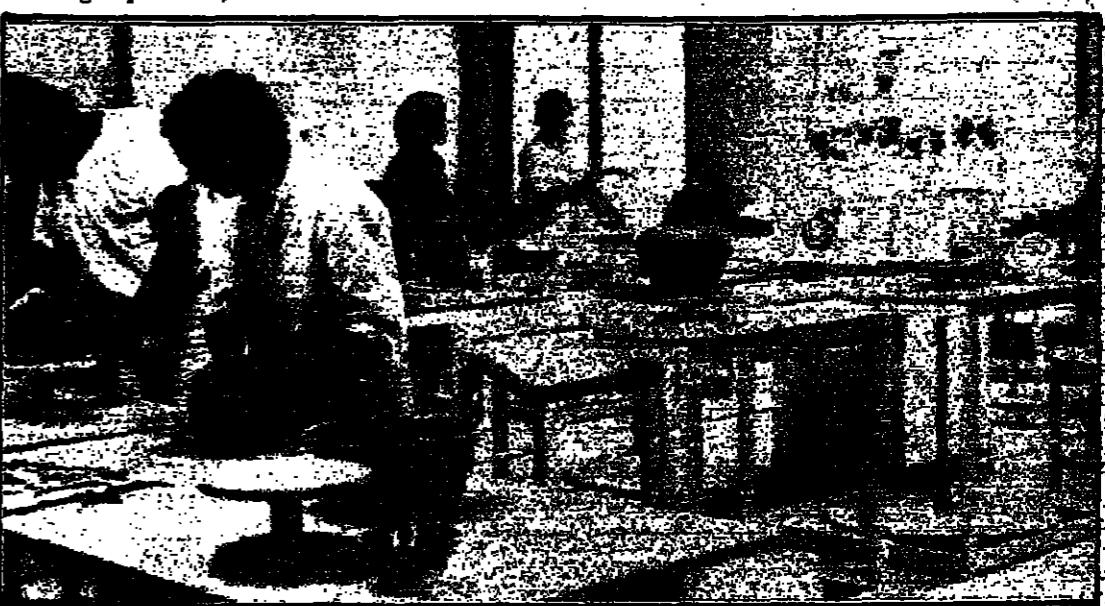
"The Salt Handicraft Training Centre is the kind of project that is particularly useful in Jordan," Dr. Cerboni said, "as it orientates people towards the kind of work much needed here. Italy has over recent years been trying to support these kinds of alternatives. In 1982 we established a school of electronics in Zarqa, and later this year we hope to establish a printing department at the Polytechnic of Amman. In Ma'an, a particularly depressed area, we are establishing a project to quarry and process limestone. The way the limestone is presently cut and quarried is very primitive and about 70 per cent of the raw material is wasted. Our scheme will not only cut back on this waste but will also create new job opportunities."

On top of all these projects, the Italian government gives about 25 scholarships every year to allow individuals to study in Italy in order to become specialised in many fields that range from agriculture to banking.

"Our latest project, which is still in its very preliminary stages, is to establish a mosaic school in Madaba. Because of our outstanding tradition in the restoration of mosaics we were



Weaving department, Salt handicraft centre



Ceramics department, Salt handicraft centre

Queen Noor after a visit to Italy. We are still working on how to structure such a school as it will be difficult to find the correct manpower locally — ideally we concluded Dr. Cerboni.

would recruit staff and students from those who have already been involved in some say with the restoration of monuments," concluded Dr. Cerboni.

Jordanian poet wins second prize

Arab journalist wins BBC poetry prize

LONDON (J.T.) — A poem penned by well-known Arab journalist, Mr. Guido Cerboni of the Italian Embassy told the Jordan Times. "In the beginning we want to keep the students as free as possible from commercial constraints so that they can develop their talents without being worried about work and jobs. Also by allowing them to develop their creativity and by giving them a background in art we hope the students will go on to try and develop new forms of decoration and designs."

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Second prize of £200 went to Dr. Jamil "Alloush of Amman, Jordan and third prize of £100 to Dr. Mohammad Ateya Mazrou' of the University Hospital in Zakaiz, Egypt. The three winners will have their prizes presented locally by senior representatives of the BBC's Arabic Service.

Competition judges, Saad El Eissa and Buland El-Haydari, both well-known Arab poets, and Riad El-Rayes, a London Pub-

lisher, did not know the identities of the winning authors until after judging as all entries were submitted under pen names. Mr. Rasheed and Dr. Al-Atrash are both established poets and have had many of their verses published in Arab journals.

Nabil Iskander, senior producer, features, with the BBC's Arabic Service, said: "The competition attracted a large number of entries from all the Arab countries and a high proportion of entries from women poets. What surprised me, however, is the number of entries we received from budding Arab poets living as far afield as Germany, Turkey and the Cameroun, which was very gratifying."

"The standard of entry was reflected in the high number of poems shortlisted — twelve from the three competition categories," he said.

All categories related to broadcasting, with the most popular being "The Ear Loves." Many Arab poets took the opportunity

from which the winning entry was chosen, and "Our Small World." The majority of entries were of traditional rather than contemporary style.



Nabil Iskander (standing, left) and Joseph Awad (standing, right) of the BBC's Arabic Service with poetry judges Riad El-Rayes (left) and Saad El-Eissa (BBC photo)



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TODAY'S EVENTS

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★ Permanent book exhibition, at Tower Building, Jabal Amman, 3rd Circle.

★ A permanent exhibition of plastic art by 27 Arab artists at the Plaza Hotel.

★ An art exhibition by Tawfiq Yabha at the French Cultural Centre.

★ An exhibition of Arabian Calligraphy by Dr. Sami Nasib Mikram at Al Aqsa Art Gallery.

LECTURES

★ Lecture: "The Beauty of the Dabu Marble Coloration and Mineralization" by Dr. Subhi Naser. Goethe Institute at 8:00 p.m.

★ Lecture: "Heart Diseases" by Dr. Haran Zreiqat and Dr. Suheil Sabeh. Abdul Hamid Shomali Foundation at 6:00 p.m.

FILM

★ A film: "Hope and Glory" at the Royal Cultural Centre at 8:00 p.m.

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10:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE: The sessions of the Eighth Arab Children's Conference will begin on June 27 under the patronage of Her Majesty Queen Noor. The seven-day conference will include a number of activities, including the children's visit to Jordan's industrial, touristic, historical and cultural sites.

GEORGETOWN TEACHERS: His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, Thursday received a delegation comprising teachers from Georgetown University. The delegation earlier participated in a seminar on the Middle East held in Aqaba.

ELECTRIFICATION: The Higher Council of Science and Technology Chairman, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, will inaugurate the electrification project of the remote village of Jur Al Darawish at the project site near the village on June 15. The project falls within the framework of using solar energy and wind power to generate electricity.

U.K. ENVOY HOLDS RECEPTION: U.K. Ambassador in Amman Anthony Reeve Thursday held a reception at his residence on the birthday anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II. The reception was attended by Upper House Speaker Ahmad Al Lawzi, Lower House Speaker Akef Al Fayez, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Zaid Ibn Shaker, Chief Chamberlain His Highness Prince Ra'd Ibn Zaid, a number of ministers and senior officials, chiefs of diplomatic missions in Amman, journalists, and members of the British community in Jordan.

NIMER MEETS ENVOYS: The Foreign Ministry's Secretary General Nabil Al Nimer met separately in his office Thursday with the ambassadors of France, the United States, Australia, India and the charge d'affaires of Saudi Arabia in Amman. Nimer reviewed with the envoys Jordan's relations with their countries and exchanged with them views about the current situation in the Middle East and recent developments in the region.

TRANSPORT TALKS END: The General Corporation for Air Transport and Tourism in Jordan and the General Corporation for Egyptian Air Transport Thursday concluded their talks. They agreed to cement cooperation in various fields, and exchange information on their activities. The meeting was chaired by Abdul Halim Khaddam and Abdul Latif Al Tawansi, the chairmen of the corresponding Jordanian and Egyptian corporations.

PETRA FESTIVAL: Youth Minister Awad Khleifat Thursday opened the first Petra Cultural Festival, organised by Wadi Mousa students, attending the University of Jordan. Khleifat also opened a number of exhibitions, held on the sidelines of the cultural event, which included poetry reading, and tae kwon do performances by Wadi Mousa Youth Centre tae kwon do team.

RUSSIAN FOLK TROUPE: As part of Jordan's celebrations of the Independence Day and the Great Arab Revolt anniversary, the Jordanian Soviet Friendship Society, in cooperation with the Soviet Cultural Centre Thursday held a celebration, during which a Russian Folk troupe staged performances at the Zarqa Community College.

ENVIRONMENTAL STATISTICS: Participants in the preparatory committee meeting for the symposium entitled Towards an Integrated Arab order for environmental statistics, concluded their meetings in Amman Thursday and decided to hold their forthcoming meeting in the first week of September.

NHF chief, Italian aide discuss Salt project

AMMAN (J.T.) — Executive Director of Noor Al Hussein Foundation (NHF) Thihni Ra'fat Wednesday received Marco Spada, who is entrusted by the Italian government with the duty of coordinating with the Jordanian side on matters dealing with the project of Salt Handicraft Centre.

During the meeting they discussed the project development and the steps needed to accept students at the centre.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Ida Al Mutlaq, the project coordinator appointed by the NHF, and Claudio Cimino, the country project coordinator who represents the Italian side.

Abbadi, Soviet Muslim leader discuss activities

AMMAN (Petra) — The Secretary General of the Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Ministry, Abdul Salam Al Abbadi, Thursday received the representative of the religious administration for the Muslims of north Caucasus.

The secretary general explained the ministry's plans to spread Islamic faith and referred to the ministry's role in supporting the people living in the occupied territories through full supervision of their Islamic affairs.

He also shed light on the aid received by the fund in support of the Uprising in the Occupied Territories. He said that the fund gives permanent salaries to the families of martyrs and supports university students who ran out of funds following the outbreak of the uprising.

Man kills pregnant stepmother, 3 children

RAMTHA (J.T.) — A 24-year-old man from Ramtha north Jordan has murdered his pregnant stepmother, identified only as B.K.G. and her three children, by beating them with an iron bar.

A report in Al Dustour Arabic daily said the murderer committed his crime during his father's absence from home last Wednesday when the 35-year-old woman and her three children (his own stepbrothers) were in their room.

The man gagged his sister in law who was present in the room and who witnessed the crime before the killer left in a hurry for Damascus where he continues his higher studies, the report said.

Hamzeh urges pharmacists to abide by regulations

AMMAN (J.T.) — Minister of Health Zaid Hamzeh has called pharmacists and owners of drug stores in the country to abide by Health Ministry regulations on dealing with medicine and warned that legal action would be taken against violators of laws.

The minister was speaking at a meeting called to discuss matters related to the sale of drugs in Jordan and controlling the price of medicine, and means of preventing the smuggling of medicine into Jordanian markets.

During the meeting held at the Health Ministry's Pharmacy and Drug Control Department, Hamzeh said concerned authorities should intensify their work to ensure the best drug and medical services to the public.

The ministry attaches great importance to the role of pharmacists and drug stores in helping to spread health awareness among members of the public, and in abiding by the regulations concerning the sale of drugs," Hamzeh noted.

He said close cooperation between the Health Ministry and the Jordanian Pharmacists Association remains the most effective guarantee in this respect.

The minister told the meeting that a committee, grouping doctors and pharmacists will be set up to lay down a policy to prescribe and dispense medicines under their scientific names.

The ministry, he said, plans to dispatch a number of its specialists abroad for training courses on medicine control and on gathering information about poisoning caused from pesticides and insecticides.



Minister of Agriculture Marwan Hmoud and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Kuwaiti General Corporation for Agricultural and Fisheries (photo)

Haj Hassan back from Iraq talks

AMMAN (Petra) — Transport and Telecommunications Minister Khaled Al Haj Hassan Friday returned home from Baghdad, where he headed the Jordanian delegation to the meetings of the Jordanian-Iraqi Land Transport Company (JILTC) and the Arab Maritime Trade Company (AMBC).

In an arrival statement, Haj Hassan said the general assembly

decided to expand the operations of the AMBC to include transportation of goods as well as passengers from Aqaba to Nuweiba". He added that the conference decided to expand the operations of the JILTC, and to draw up a working plan for the company, to provide chartering 150 new trucks, which will be increased in the future to reach up to 300 trucks. During his

visit to Iraq, Haj Hassan met with his Iraqi counterpart Mohammad Hamzeh Zubeidi and his Egyptian counterpart Sulaiman Mutawalli, with whom he held talks on bilateral cooperation.

On Thursday, Haj Hassan met with Iraqi minister of labour and social development to discuss labour cooperation between Jordan and Iraq.

JCO director inspects projects in Karak

KARAK (Petra) — Jordan Cooperative Organisation (JCO) Director General Mrewid Al Tal paid an inspection tour of agricultural cooperative projects in Karak Governorate and a project for sifting and the sterilisation of seeds.

The JD 60,000 project is designed to produce improved seeds which would be sold to farmers at subsidised cost, to help them produce better output and to encourage

age farmers in the southern regions to increase their cereal production.

Tal later inspected a pasture land project at Lejoun where 6,500 dunums have been planted with pasture shrubs and irrigated with water from artesian wells.

He also toured a bee-breeding project and a centre for offering vocational and handicraft training for rural women run by the JCO.

JTV Channel 2 Preview

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Claudia Cron

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10:20 Feature Film *Hit and Run*

Starring: Paul Perri Claudia Cron

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10:00 News in English

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11:10 Rich Man, Poor Man Last episode

Wed. — June 15, 1988

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9:00 Hooperman

9:30 Twilight Zone Night Crawlers

10:20 The Other Kingdom

Mon. — June 13, 1988

8:30 Perfect Strangers

9:10 Secret Army Weekend

10:20 Feature Film *Draw*

Starring: Kirk Douglas James Coburn Alexandra Bastedo Graham Jarvis

Fri. — June 17, 1988

8:30 Carol Burnett and Friends

9:15 European Football Championships from Germany Italy vs. Denmark

10:00 News in English

10:15 Cont... Football

11:00 Falcon Crest Battle Lines

9:15 European Football Championships from Germany Italy vs. Spain

Maggie hesitates to give her son away for adoption — Richard asks her to marry him after her divorce from Chase.

Jordan, Kuwait sign memo of cooperation

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — Jordan and Kuwait have signed a memorandum of understanding, paving the way for bilateral cooperation in agricultural and fisheries fields and opening the door for joint investments in both sectors.

The memorandum signed here on Thursday provides for exchanges of expertise and information related to agriculture, between concerned research centres in both countries and cooperation in the production of tree saplings and seeds, and in improving new breeds of livestock and in the use of veterinary vaccines.

The memorandum also calls for an exchange of visits by specialists from both countries in projects intended to increase cereal production, fruit tree plantations, and in joint discussion of policies and regulations governing control and protection of animal and vegetation wealth. It calls for exchange of expertise on pasture lands and the employment of pesti-

cides, raising Arabian horses, combating diseases that affect crops, management of fisheries and fish breeding projects, irrigation system and wildlife reserves.

The memorandum calls for an encouragement of joint investments in agriculture, and the exchange of agricultural products and fruits, poultry and sheep.

The memorandum was signed by Agriculture Minister Marwan Hmoud and the visiting Kuwaiti chairman of the board of directors of the General Corporation for Agricultural and Fisheries Affairs Ibrahim Al Du'eij Al Sabah.

Hmoud, who spoke just before the signing ceremony, said that his ministry would place its exper-

tise under Kuwait's disposal to help it carry out its plan of greening Kuwait, and will be ready to supply forest tree saplings required for this project.

Hmoud called for stepped up cooperation in agricultural research between the two sides to help promote agricultural development in Jordan and Kuwait.

For his part, Sheikh Ibrahim said his visit and tours of agricultural projects in Jordan helped to establish firm steps for future cooperation.

"Kuwait which embarks on plans for greening the country, will benefit from Jordan's expertise and experiments and Kuwait appreciates Jordan's help in this regard," Sheikh Ibrahim said.

He said Kuwait will benefit also from Jordan's experiments in cereal production, irrigation systems and afforestation projects, and will cooperate with Jordan in the process of ensuring food security for the Arab World.

Zawaideh discusses housing strategy

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — A higher national committee on housing strategy will convene here on Saturday to discuss the Kingdom's housing plans from now until the year 2000.

The committee, which groups the ministers of planning and public works and the minister of state for cabinet affairs, met Thursday to start discussion of the strategy which revolves on three axes: residential land, institutional framework, including research, training, and financing housing schemes.

In an address to the 11th session of the United Nations Human Settlements Committee, Zawaideh said Jordan was basing its housing programmes on benefitting low-income families in

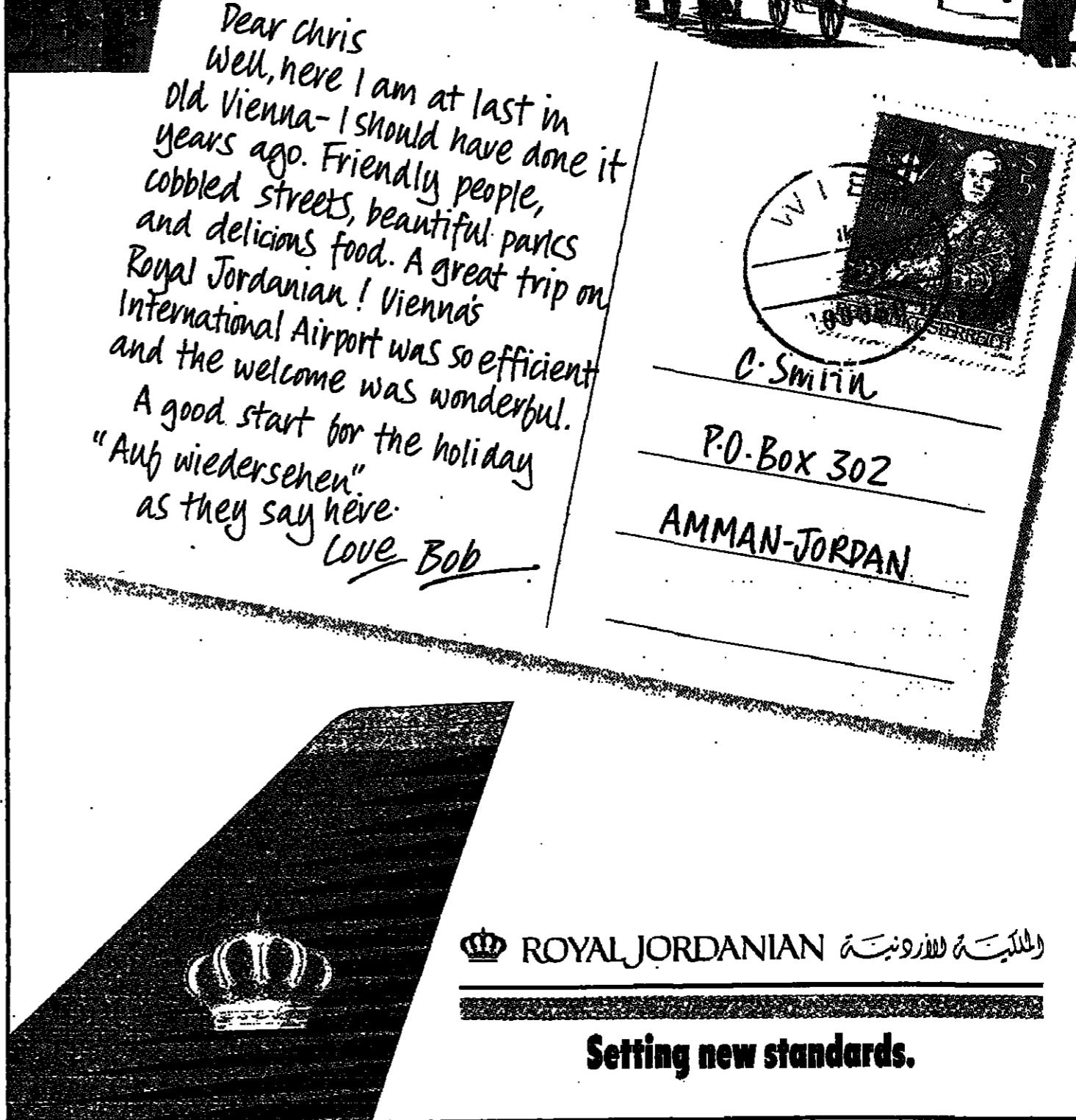
the first place and involving the largest section of the population in housing projects and development in general.

Zawaideh will take part also in Saturday's meeting which will finalise discussion on the housing strategy for Jordan and prepare recommendations for the government.

Thursday's meeting was attended by members of a technical team set up by the Ministry of Planning to supervise housing plans.



Housing Minister Shafiq Zawaideh Saturday discusses strategy to improve housing conditions (Petra photo)



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ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Friday's

Al Ra'i: Support for uprising

THE extraordinary Arab summit meeting in Algiers has crowned all previous summit meetings by declaring unified Arab action and continued material and moral support designed to enable the Palestinians regain their usurped rights and land. The Arab leaders have strongly supported the Palestinian uprising as being the only remaining option for liberating the Arab land of Palestine from Israeli occupation. Through this struggle and through continued support and assistance to the Palestinians the Arabs hope to achieve their national aspiration and to lay the ground for a genuine and lasting peace. The resolutions of the Algiers summit came as a favourable response to King Hussein's urgent appeals to the Arab leaders for extending all possible aid to the Palestinian uprising which, he said, Jordan will continue to aid and support to enable the Palestinians regain their freedom. There is no doubt that the King's address to the summit and his open and candid words on the situation in our region and Jordan's readiness to support all summit resolutions concerning the Palestine question were all instrumental in helping the leaders to achieve success. Jordan believes in unified action and in supporting the Arab people in Palestine and Iraq to repel aggression and attain liberation and peace.



Al Dastour: Arab solidarity

THE Algiers summit has declared the Arab Nation's unlimited assistance to the Palestinian people's uprising in the occupied Arab territories in a true response to the sacrifices and the struggle of the oppressed people of Palestine. By this declaration, at the conclusion of the summit, the Arab leaders displayed their determination to counter Israel's inhuman practices against the Arab people and end Israel's atrocities against the Palestinians in their homeland. The resolutions represented a true manifestation of appreciation of and support for the Arab people of Palestine in their endeavour to attain freedom following 21 years of occupation. Jordan which has been fully involved in supporting the Palestinians since the beginning of their uprising, and a long time before that, fully realises the conspiracies being hatched by world Zionism against the Arabs, and Israel's aim of causing rifts among the Arab ranks. Jordan has been active in its efforts to strengthen solidarity among Arab countries and succeeded in achieving this at the Amman summit and followed on this at the Algiers summit meeting. The Algiers summit has clearly shown to the world that the Arabs are one unity with common objectives and destiny. It proved to the world that the Arabs are determined to put an end to injustice and regain their usurped land.

Sawt Al Shaab: King outlines Jordan's policies

IN his address to the Arab leaders in Algiers King Hussein presented an outline of Jordan's policies and national stands since the beginning of the Palestine problem. The King explained the role played by the Great Arab Revolt and its leaders in rallying the Arabs and protecting their land and their identity. Jordan's endeavours to serve national causes are being reflected in this country's efforts to serve the Palestinians and to uphold their cause; and in the sacrifices offered in this field. The principles and the objectives of the Great Arab Revolt were honoured at the Algiers summit through the overwhelming support for joint action in helping the Palestinian people's struggle for freedom. Ever since the outbreak of the Great Arab Revolt, the Hashemite leaders have been offering sacrifices for Palestine and the Arab people's national rights regardless of the arbitrary actions of the colonial rulers in our region. The uprising in the occupied Arab territories which was overwhelming support from the summit, has been and will continue to be the pre-occupation of Jordan until justice is done and the Palestinian people regain their freedom.

Thursday's

Al Ra'i: King praises uprising

KING Hussein addressed the Arab leaders from a national perspective, openly discussing all issues related to the Palestine question and the Arab World. Praising the Palestinian uprising, the King said that the current Palestinian struggle represents the most important development in the Palestine history since 1948. He said that the Algiers summit is dedicated to Palestine and the Palestinian people, offering the leaders the chance to look into means for helping their brethren suffering under occupation. The Palestinian revolt against the Israeli occupation forces is closely linked with developments in the Arab World and complements Iraq's first stand in repelling Iranian aggression. This revolt, the King added, is also in harmony with the Jordanian and Syrian stands in confrontation with the Israeli enemy. For this reason, the Algiers summit could be described as the summit of the central Arab issue. As to the Palestinian-Jordanian relationship, the King pointed out that it embodies the joint struggle, the common aspirations and the interaction demographically, geographically and culturally between the two banks of the River Jordan, culminating in the 1950 unity. This unity has been strengthened over the years and maintained through continuous support and assistance to the Palestinians by their Jordanian brothers on the East Bank.

Al Dastour: Joint struggle

KING Hussein in an address to the Arab summit in Algiers described the current uprising in the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip as a real revolt that came as a culmination of the long years of suffering. The King explained Jordan's stand with regard to the Palestine question since the beginning of the present century and outlined the sacrifices offered in this regard by the leaders of the Great Arab Revolt. He said that the 1950 unity between the two banks came as a result of the real desire and the genuine effort of the leaders and the representatives of the two peoples on both banks of the River Jordan. That unity was an expression by the two sides of the desire to achieve unity among all Arabs. For Jordan, Palestine and the Palestinians are more than a cause in view of the interaction between the peoples on both sides of the river and their long struggle and common aspirations. This relationship is of a special kind, and should be exemplary for all Arab countries. Jordan's stand towards the Palestine question has not changed ever since the 1948, and the six-point document handed over to the U.S. secretary of state sums up the Jordanian policy, embodying the aspirations of the two peoples.

Arab summit hails uprising, condemns Iran's intransigence

ALGIERS (R) — Extracts on the Arab-Israeli conflict from the final communiqué issued Thursday at the end of the extraordinary Arab summit (unofficial translation):

— The conference hailed the uprising of the Palestinian Arab people, which forms a link in the chain of its struggle which has continued for more than half a century, considering it an inseparable part of the Palestinian revolution.

— It hailed with honour and pride the heroic acts which the Palestinian people are registering in resisting the Israeli occupation and its magnificent determination to liberate its occupied land and practice its right to return, to self-determination and to set up its independent state on its national soil, under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), its legitimate and only representative.

— It looked at measures to support the uprising, enhance its effectiveness and ensure that it continues and escalates. It affirmed its commitment to provide all necessary assistance, by all means and in all forms, to the Palestinian people to ensure that its resistance and uprising continue under the leadership of the PLO until it achieves its permanent national objectives.

— The conference renewed its commitment to support the states confronting the Israeli enemy to enable these states to strengthen their defense capabilities and make them more able to liberate occupied Arab territories and recover usurped Arab rights.

— The conference calls on the United Nations Security Council ... to work for immediate and complete Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab territory, to put the occupied territories under the temporary supervision of the United Nations to provide protection for the citizens and to pave the way for the Palestinian people to practice their inalienable national rights.

— The conference reviewed developments in efforts to establish peace in the Middle East and remarked that these efforts were still slow, ineffective and unable to deal with the Israeli position which insists on rejecting peace.

— The conference affirmed, once again, that the principles endorsed by Arab summit conferences, and especially the decisions of the Fez summit in 1982, form a basis for solving the Arab-Israeli conflict, the essence of which is the Palestinian question, and

renewed its support for holding an international conference for peace in the Middle East under United Nations supervision, on the basis of international legitimacy and United Nations resolutions which demand that Israel withdraw fully from all occupied Palestinian and Arab territory and guarantee the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian people, the participants to be the five permanent members of the Security Council and all the parties to the conflict in the area, including the PLO, the legitimate and only representative of the Palestinian people, on an equal footing and with the same rights as the other parties.

— The conference noted that the United States continued in its policy biased in favour of Israel and antagonistic to the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian people. It condemned this policy which encourages Israel to pursue its aggression.

Gulf war

Extracts on the Gulf war from the final communiqué.

— The conference studied with great concern the subject of the Iran-Iraq war and the dangers arising from its continuation because of Iran's intransigence and its insistence on continuing the war, which has had an extreme effect on the mobilisation of Arab resources and energies to confront the Zionist enemy. The conference reaffirmed the resolutions which it took at the extraordinary Amman summit, which expressed the Arab position on this war and on what the states of the Arabian Gulf have been exposed to in the way of aggression, threat and interference in their internal affairs on the part of Iran. The conference renewed its solidarity with Iraq and its stand with it in its legitimate defence of its sovereignty and independence and it praised its (Iraq's) response to peace efforts and its acceptance of Security Council Resolution 598 as a way to reach an honourable, just and lasting solution to the conflict.

The conference renewed its condemnation and rejection of Iran's

occupation of Arab territory in Iraq, its continuation of the war, its lack of response to Arab and international peace initiatives and to resolutions issued by the United Nations and its refusal to heed Security Council Resolution 598.

The conference calls on the international community to implement Resolution 598 as an integral whole, in letter and in spirit...

— The conference hailed with honour and pride Iraq's liberation of Fao and Shalamch and renewed its complete solidarity with Iraq to liberate the rest of its territory occupied by Iran, in commitment to its (Arab) national responsibility and in confirmation of its determination to protect Arab national security and the sovereignty of Arab territory.

— The conference reviewed the threats arising from the continuation of the Iran-Iraq war, which has started to affect the security and stability of some states in the area, and especially Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. It reaffirmed the decisions which it took at the extraordinary Amman summit and expressed the determination of the member states to stand beside the states of the Arabian Gulf in their confrontation with any external aggression.

— The conference also condemned all the forms of terrorism which Iran practices against the states of the Arabian Gulf, such as interfering in the internal affairs of these states and resorting to acts of violence and sabotage which affect the internal security of some Arab states, especially Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

— The conference affirmed that Arab national security is an inseparable unit and that any aggression against the sovereignty of any member states amounts to aggression against all Arab states.

— The conference expressed its solidarity and support for the measures which Saudi Arabia has taken to organise the pilgrimage to Mecca and ... reaffirmed its call for the need to respect the holy places, the rites of the pilgrimage, the security and safety of pilgrims and the sovereignty of Saudi Arabia.

Uprising takes solid root in West Bank, Gaza Strip

By Paul Taylor
Reuter

of 45 to 62 days this year. The sensitivity of Israelis to Palestinian human rights has been considerably numbed.

More than 2,000 Palestinian political prisoners are in detention without trial in primitive conditions in a desert prison camp amid Israeli indifference. They have not been charged with any offence or, in many cases, told why they are there.

About 5,000 Palestinians arrested in the uprising are still being held.

Added to 4,500 Arabs already serving jail terms for security offences before the intifada, this means one adult male in every 40 in the occupied territories is in prison.

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin's policy of "might, force, beatings" to quell the uprising caused international outrage in January and is still causing dozens of casualties every week.

"On a 'good' day, we have maybe 30 injured by beatings, rubber bullets and live ammunition," said a senior U.N. relief official in Gaza, surveying casualty figures for the last month. "On a bad day, there are 200 to 300 injured."

The daily lists include many children in their early teens, occasionally younger.

Undaunted by economic hardship and collective punishments, many Palestinians say they have nothing to lose. The uprising has changed Middle East politics.

Arab leaders are holding an emergency summit this week in Algiers to support the rebellion.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) has been thrust back to the centre of the Arab stage.

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz has just completed his fourth unsuccessful Middle East tour this year, touting a peace plan aimed at ending the uprising against Washington's chief Middle East ally.

Among Israelis, the uprising has sparked an anti-Arab backlash, visible in widely-reported incidents of brutality, that could sweep a more right-wing nationalist government to power in November elections.

Israeli leaders say the intifada has achieved nothing and the Palestinians are only hurting themselves.

But the revolt has cost Israel dearly, damaging its economy, its world image and even its cherished democratic values.

Arab strikes have hit Israeli agriculture, textiles and construction. The violence has driven away tourists in droves.

Military reserve duty for all Israeli men aged up to 55 has been increased from a maximum

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FROM THE WORLD'S PRESS

U.S. may end up paying for uprising

OCCUPIED GAZA — As the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories reaches the half-year mark, the focus is shifting from the human toll to the financial one. The cost of the chaos — in lost economic opportunity, declining tourism and military expenses — already totals close to \$700 million for Israel alone, according to Israel's ministry of economy. To cover this cost, Israel will have to cut services or raise taxes — or send the bill to Uncle Sam.

"There's always this assumption that you can go to the U.S. and get more whenever you need it," says an American embassy official in Tel Aviv. "We've never disappointed them."

Israel's government, ever mindful of the mood of U.S. taxpayers, is unlikely to ask for additional financial aid this year. But, on the assumption that American memories of harsh Israeli tactics will fade, Israel may well seek an increase next year in the \$3 billion it already gets from the U.S. annually.

Meanwhile, the economic hardship for both Israelis and Palestinians grows. Ever since the 1967 war, the Israelis have used the territories as both a labour pool and a market for their products. Now, Palestinians are determined to break their economic dependence, just as they are trying to end their political subservience with the creation of an independent state.

Thus, the economies of Israel and its occupied territories are being pulled apart. Israelis say that, with or without increased U.S. aid, they will pay whatever price their "security" requires. Palestinians, close to one another and to the land, also say they won't be broken, even if outside Arab support isn't forthcoming. — The Wall Street Journal.

Taba spells trouble for both sides

OCCUPIED TABA — Just over the horizon a diplomatic cloud is forming that could cast a dark shadow on this premier beach playground.

A panel of five arbitrators is meeting in Geneva to settle a nine-year controversy over whether Taba really belongs to Israel. The sliver of desert on the Red Sea coast is also claimed by Egypt.

Failure to resolve the dispute could plunge Israeli-Egyptian relations — already strained by dissatisfaction with the fruits of the 1979 Camp David treaty — into a major diplomatic crisis.

An unfavourable judgment is also likely to make Taba one of the most contentious political issues in Israel. The country's leading political blocs, Labour and Likud, could launch an acrimonious election-year debate over "who lost Taba."

For almost a year the United States has been trying to help the two sides reach an out-of-court settlement before the arbitration panel makes its findings. U.S. efforts to broker the dispute date to the early 1980s.

Israel claims that 1906 British maps placed Taba in Palestine. Egypt's claim to the tiny patch to desert is based on border markings set when the 1949 armistice agreement between Egypt and Israel was signed. — The Christian Science Monitor.

Norway, Israel reach compromise

OSLO (R) — Norway and Israel have resolved a dispute over heavy water sold by Oslo almost 30 years ago, but government sources said the compromise solution would not allow Norway to check whether it was used to make atomic weapons.

Foreign Ministry spokesman John Bjoerneby told Reuters Friday that Norway could now inspect heavy water left over from a secret 1959 sale to Israel.

"The solution is a compromise," Bjoerneby said. "Although we will run chemical analysis, it will give us no real opportunity to find out what it has been used for."

Norway sold the water on condition that it was used only for peaceful purposes. In late 1986 Oslo demanded the right to inspect after suspicions were aroused that Israel had used it to make plutonium for atomic weapons.

Israel refuses to confirm or deny that it possesses such weapons and initially turned down the request.

Bjoerneby said the water, of which about nine tonnes remain from the original 20, had been mixed with supplies from other countries. A Norwegian request to inspect the water at Israel's Dimona nuclear reactor had also been turned down.

But in this week's final round of negotiations in Oslo, Israel had reversed its original rejection of a request for the Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to inspect the water on Norway's behalf.

"That was their part of the compromise," one government source said. "We have also won the right to inspect our water, through the IAEA, every time it is used in the future."

Participants should include all interested parties, including the PLO as sole representative of the Palestinian people on an equal footing with other parties.

In an unexpected move, the summit came out in support of Libya against the United States.

The statement, read by Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi, said the summit condemned what it described as U.S. aggression against Libya, an apparent reference to air raids in April 1986 after a series of hijackings which Washington said were backed by Libya.

The conference also voiced support for Libyan sovereignty over the Gulf of Sirte, which is disputed by the United States.

The statement said the summit discussed ways of backing the intifada to "enhance its effectiveness and ensure it continues and escalates... under the leadership of the PLO."

It made no mention of any specific financial commitments.

The statement said the summit had renewed its commitment to aid Arab states confronting Israel to enable them to strengthen their defences and enhance their ability to liberate the occupied Arab national rights."

Referring indirectly to U.S. plans which Secretary of State George Shultz has been pressing on a tour of the Middle East, it said peace efforts were "slow, ineffective; and incapable of standing up to the Israeli position which insists on rejecting peace."

The summit hailed the intifada (uprising), saying the assembled kings, presidents and emirs expressed honour and pride in the Palestinian people's resistance to Israeli occupation.

It spoke of the people's "maginificent determination to liberate its occupied land... and to set up its independent state."

It called for an international peace conference "under the auspices of the United Nations and on the basis U.N. resolutions that call on Israel to withdraw from all occupied Palestinian and Arab territories."

It said the five permanent members of the Security Council and all the parties to the conflict including the PLO must take part "on an equal footing and with equal rights."

The communiqué noted that the summit "condemned international terrorism in all its forms, especially Israel's organised terrorism against the Palestinian people and the Arabs in general."

The summit statement did not mention the possibility of an Egyptian return to the Arab League, which was strongly urged at the summit by Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states but fiercely resisted by Syria and Libya.

Call on Iran

The summit reaffirmed call issued at last November's extraordinary Arab summit in Amman on Iran to end its Gulf war with Iraq.

It denounced Iran's terrorism against other Gulf countries and charged it with interfering in the internal affairs of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

The summit expressed support for efforts to regulate and organise the annual pilgrimage to Saudi Arabia.

The statement said conditions for Arab participation in a Middle East peace conference were first proclaimed in 1982.

It listed them as:

— The conference should be held under U.N. auspices.

— It should be based on U.N. resolutions demanding Israel's complete withdrawal from occupied Palestinian and Arab territories.

— It should guarantee the Palestinian rights of the Palesti-

MIDDLE EAST NEWS IN BRIEF

Soviet envoy to brief Mubarak

CAIRO (AP) — A Senior Soviet diplomat once expelled from Egypt by presidential order arrived in Cairo Friday as a special envoy on a briefing mission. The three-day visit by Vladimir Polyakov, director of the Foreign Ministry's Near East and North Africa Department, reflected greatly improved Cairo-Moscow relations since President Hosni Mubarak took office in 1981. Polyakov told reporters on arrival that he had been assigned by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev "to convey to President Mubarak details of the results of the recent American-Soviet summit in Moscow." "Good relations now exist between Egypt and the Soviet Union," Polyakov said, speaking in Russian through an Arabic interpreter. He added that last month's visit to Moscow by Egyptian Foreign Minister Esmat Abdul Meguid, the first of its kind in 14 years, further improved bilateral ties. During his visit, Polyakov is to meet with Mubarak and state Minister for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali. Polyakov was ambassador to Cairo in 1981 when then-President Anwar Sadat launched a massive crackdown on domestic opponents. It included the expulsion of Polyakov and six other Soviet diplomats whom Sadat accused of meddling in internal affairs.

The solution is a compromise, Bjoerneby said. "Although we will run chemical analysis, it will give us no real opportunity to find out what it has been used for."

Norway sold the water on condition that it was used only for peaceful purposes. In late 1986 Oslo demanded the right to inspect after suspicions were aroused that Israel had used it to make plutonium for atomic weapons.

Israel refuses to confirm or deny that it possesses such weapons and initially turned down the request.

Bjoerneby said the water, of which about nine tonnes remain from the original 20, had been mixed with supplies from other countries. A Norwegian request to inspect the water at Israel's Dimona nuclear reactor had also been turned down.

But in this week's final round of negotiations in Oslo, Israel had reversed its original rejection of a request for the Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to inspect the water on Norway's behalf.

"That was their part of the compromise," one government source said. "We have also won the right to inspect our water, through the IAEA, every time it is used in the future."

Participants should include all interested parties, including the PLO as sole representative of the Palestinian people on an equal footing with other parties.

In an unexpected move, the summit came out in support of Libya against the United States.

The statement said the summit discussed ways of backing the intifada to "enhance its effectiveness and ensure it continues and escalates... under the leadership of the PLO."

It made no mention of any specific financial commitments.

The statement said the summit had renewed its commitment to aid Arab states confronting Israel to enable them to strengthen their defences and enhance their ability to liberate the occupied Arab national rights."

Referring indirectly to U.S. plans which Secretary of State George Shultz has been pressing on a tour of the Middle East, it said peace efforts were "slow, ineffective; and incapable of standing up to the Israeli position which insists on rejecting peace."

The summit hailed the intifada (uprising), saying the assembled kings, presidents and emirs expressed honour and pride in the Palestinian people's resistance to Israeli occupation.

It spoke of the people's "maginificent determination to liberate its occupied land... and to set up its independent state."

It called for an international peace conference "under the auspices of the United Nations and on the basis U.N. resolutions that call on Israel to withdraw from all occupied Palestinian and Arab territories."

It said the five permanent members of the Security Council and all the parties to the conflict including the PLO must take part "on an equal footing and with equal rights."

The communiqué noted that the summit "condemned international terrorism in all its forms, especially Israel's organised terrorism against the Palestinian people and the Arabs in general."

The summit statement did not mention the possibility of an Egyptian return to the Arab League, which was strongly urged at the summit by Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states but fiercely resisted by Syria and Libya.

The statement said conditions for Arab participation in a Middle East peace conference were first proclaimed in 1982.

It listed them as:

— The conference should be held under U.N. auspices.

— It should be based on U.N. resolutions demanding Israel's complete withdrawal from occupied Palestinian and Arab territories.

— It should guarantee the Palestinian rights of the Palesti-

Tehran leaders meet Montazeri amid reports Khomeini may be dying

NICOSIA (Agencies) — At least two of Iran's top leaders have met with Ayatollah Hussein-Ali Montazeri, designated successor of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, amid reports that the long-ailing revolutionary patriarch was dying.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA) said that Parliament Speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani conferred Wednesday with Montazeri in the holy city of Qom, 160 kilometres south of Tehran.

The agency said that President Ali Khamenei also saw Montazeri in Qom Thursday.

In both cases, IRNA said the two political leaders discussed "current issues," but did not elaborate.

Rafsanjani and Khamenei are political rivals in the power struggle that has been taking place in the Iranian hierarchy for some time over who will run the country when Khomeini dies.

Khomeini, 87, has long been

Israeli MK says tear-gas caused 30 miscarriages

TEL AVIV (R) — An Israeli member of Knesset (parliament) said Thursday that the army caused up to 30 miscarriages through misuse of tear-gas in its bid to quash the Palestinian uprising in the occupied Gaza Strip.

Dedi Zucker of the Citizens' Rights Movement made the charge in a letter he sent to the health and defence ministries with a separate report by six Israeli doctors accusing the army of excesses.

The evidence is strong that gas has been misused. Unnecessary damage has been caused, including death or miscarriages, mainly by throwing it indoors," he told Reuters.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Mannheim wins relegation soccer playoff

SAARBRUECKEN, West Germany (R) — Waldhof Mannheim beat Darmstadt on penalties in a relegation soccer match decided Thursday and won the right to remain in West Germany's first division next season. Mannheim won 5-4 on penalties after the match ended without a score after 90 minutes and 30 minutes of extra time. Mannheim finished last season third in the first division, while Darmstadt were third from top in the second division. The teams had drawn 4-4 on aggregate after their regular home and away playoff matches, forcing Thursday's decider in neutral Saarbruecken.

McEnroe faces familiar foe in Britain

WEST KIRBY, England (AP) — When John McEnroe makes his return to British grass courts next week, he will face a familiar opponent. Seeded second and given a first-round bye in the Wirral Grasscours Championships June 13-18, the American left-hander was drawn Thursday for a second round match against the winner of an opening-round meeting between Chris Lewis of New Zealand and Alexander Volkov of the Soviet Union. McEnroe beat Lewis for the Wimbledon men's singles title in 1983, while Volkov was a first-round loser to McEnroe in the recent French Open in Paris. McEnroe was seeded behind Andres Gomez of Ecuador. The remaining seeds, in order, were Andrei Chesoakov of the Soviet Union, David Pate and Kevin Curran of the United States, Claudio Mezzadri of Italy, Jay Berger of the United States and Peter Lundgren of Sweden.

Belgians, Dutch want to share '96 championships

BRUSSELS (R) — Belgium and the Netherlands want to host the 1996 European Soccer Championship finals jointly, the Belgian Football Union said Thursday. "The plan has been discussed in several meetings between the two presidents of the two soccer associations and a decision will be taken after the current championship in West Germany," union spokesman Leon Vlaogert told Reuters. The European Football Union (UEFA) barred Belgium from staging European club finals and championships for 10 years after 39 people died in riots at Brussels' Heysel Stadium before the 1985 European Cup final between Liverpool and Juventus. Vlaogert said Belgium and the Netherlands would each offer four stadia if they made a formal application to host the competition. It would be the first time the tournament was organised by two countries.

GOREN BRIDGE

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THE FINESSE THAT NEVER WAS

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Opening lead: Jack of ♦. Bridge and politics appear to have something in common. In both there could be a place for someone who can make things seem to be what they aren't. North-South bid quickly to an excellent heart lead. South's bid of six clubs was a Grand Slam force, since five no trump was not available for this purpose. With only one of the top three honors, North signed off. We got his side off to an excellent

Testimony continues in Gasser case

LONDON (AP) — Lawyers for Sandra Gasser presented more evidence Thursday in efforts to get a British court to overturn the Swiss runner's two-year ban from competition for alleged drug use. Attorneys, led by William Blackburne, are arguing before the high court that evidence failed to support findings by track's world governing body that Gasser had used muscle-building anabolic steroids. The case is expected to last into early next week. Gasser, 25, was suspended by the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) last year after traces of steroids were found in urine samples taken from her at the World Track and Field Championships in Rome. Gasser won the bronze medal in that event. The IAAF stripped her of the medal and her place in the official results after the drug test results came in.

Mandlikova withdraws from Scottish Championships

EDINBURGH (R) — World number eight Hana Mandlikova withdrew from the Scottish Grasscourt Tennis Championships Friday because of illness, the latest setback for the ill-starred tournament. Mandlikova, born and raised in Czechoslovakia, but now an Australian citizen, had been due to play her opening tie against Amy van Buuren of the Netherlands but said she had not recovered from a stomach virus. Mandlikova's match with Van Buuren should have been played Thursday but was postponed to give her time to recover. The championships have been plagued by bad luck since they were revamped in 1987. World number one Ivan Lendl should have played then but rain destroyed the event.

Carlsson reaches 3rd round Bologna tennis

BOLOGNA, Italy (R) — Top seed and title holder Kent Carlsson of Sweden waltzed through to the third round of the Bologna International Tennis Tournament Wednesday with an easy 6-2, 6-0 win over West Germany's Marcus Racki. The Swede, who reached the fourth round of this year's French Open before failing to compatriot Jonas Svensson, took a mere 48 minutes to despatch Racki. Third seed Martin Jaite of Argentina had an equally comfortable victory over Ulf Stenlund, winning 6-4, 6-0 and allowing the Swede to take only three points in the second set. West Germany's sixth-seeded Ricky Osterhut, who defeated Argentine veteran Guillermo Vilas in three sets in the first round, was the sole seed to fall.

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YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE

From the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You would be wise to complete any work which was left unfinished during the week. This evening should be dedicated to the social side of life, as everyone will tend to be jovial, light-hearted and friendly.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) This is a good time to wrap up the details of financial and property affairs. Don't neglect shopping on other errands which need to be done.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Get out socially this evening, and you can meet some very important people. Your friends will be very helpful, so show your gratitude.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Get those annoying chores out of the way this morning, then you can really enjoy yourself. Be sure to drive with the utmost care.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Don't hesitate to do a favor for a friend who has always been kind to you. Sit down and make some realistic plans for the future.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) If you have more pressing obligations, postpone doing a favor for a superior until a better time. Don't stay out too late this evening.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) If you need information from a

business acquaintance, ask for it tactfully, and don't reveal how vital this material is to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Collect money owed to you today, then pay your most important bills. You can pull off a fine business deal if you are clever and diplomatic.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make a plan to improve your social position, then take the initial steps on it this evening. Get together with a favorite business associate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Before you do a favor for someone, find out how much you know about it. Plan next week's activities this evening.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) If you take care of a few small chores for your mate, this person will be very happy and grateful. Be sure to drive very carefully.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Be more tactful at home, and clear up that situation which has bothered you for some time. Be very wary of strangers tonight.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) This is a good day to catch up on the correspondence you have been putting off lately. Be very tactful when discussing financial matters.

Cash, Connors tumble out of warmup event

LONDON (AP) — Wimbledon champion Pat Cash painfully discovered how grass can break as well as make a tennis player as he tumbled out of the \$385,000 Stetson Artois Championships in the third round Thursday.

Cash, the No. 2 seed who had played flawlessly for two days in this Wimbledon warm-up event at Queens Club, went down 7-6, 6-4 to fellow Australian Darren Cahill, one of his best friends on the tour.

In a day of upsets, the tournament also lost veteran American Jimmy Connors, the No. 3 seed. He lost 6-4, 7-6 to Frenchman Guy Forget, whom he beaten in all their previous four meetings.

But Stefan Edberg of Sweden, the No. 2 seed, continued to make steady, if unspectacular progress to reach the last eight in the gloom and drizzle. Edberg came from behind to beat Johan Kriek 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 to take his place in the 16-day championship.

"We won't attack as much against the Spaniards as we did in earlier matches," he said. "If only because our strikers haven't been on target very often recently."

Spain's star striker Emilio Butragueno warned his colleagues against complacency. "We have no right to feel superior, those two victories don't mean that," he said.

Butragueno discounted his own showing two years ago in Mexico, when his four goals were re-

Denmark seeks revenge against Spain in European soccer finals

HANOVER, West Germany (R) — Denmark will be seeking revenge when they face Spain in the European Championship finals Saturday, having lost to them in the 1984 tournament and the 1986 World Cup in Mexico.

Victory would be sweet for coach Sepp Piontek's side, whose attacking style proved the revelation of the finals in France last time around until they went out to the Spaniards on penalties in the semifinals.

The revelation was confirmed in Mexico when the Danes produced the most exciting play of the first round, only to crash 5-1 against Spain in the second round.

But Piontek warned against making too much of the forthcoming game while rash tactics could spell defeat and an early exit from the 16-day championship.

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"The boys are all fit — the question is whether they are in top form," Piontek said.

"The potential of the Spanish team is much the same as in 1986," said Munoz, whose side reached the quarter-finals of the World Cup two years ago before losing to Belgium on penalties.

"We've brought in a few new players, but overall our strength is exactly the same."

Police simulate riots by English fans

West German police in riot gear staged a mock battle with colleagues posing as English soccer hooligans in Munich's Olympi-

pic Stadium Thursday on the eve of the European Championship finals.

A Reuter photographer saw about 250 baton-wielding police charging about 100 "fans" who were shouting slogans in English.

They then went into the crowd with horses and dogs, pulling "supporters" away and herding them handcuffed into police vans.

The two-hour riot training, held in and around the stadium which hosts the June 25 final, was intended to be secret. Regular visitors to the Olympic complex were kept away.

The practice took place as foreign fans began drifting into West German cities. Across the country police were congregating in potential trouble spots to prevent any violent outbreaks.

The two matches which most concern the authorities involve England — against Ireland in Stuttgart Sunday and against The Netherlands in Duesseldorf next Wednesday.

"We're not leaving anything to chance," Duesseldorf police chief Wolfgang Rodax said ahead of Friday's West Germany-Italy opening tie here.

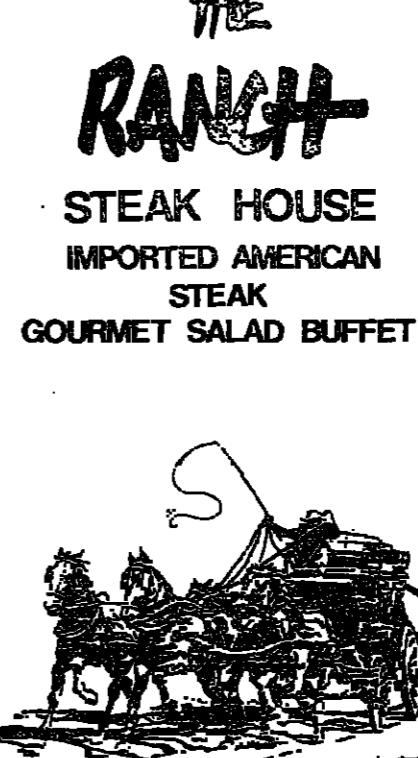
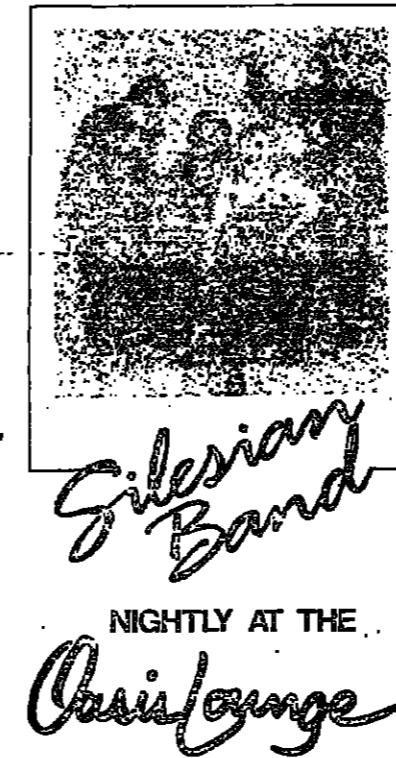
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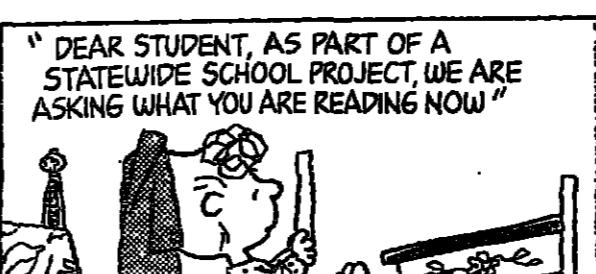
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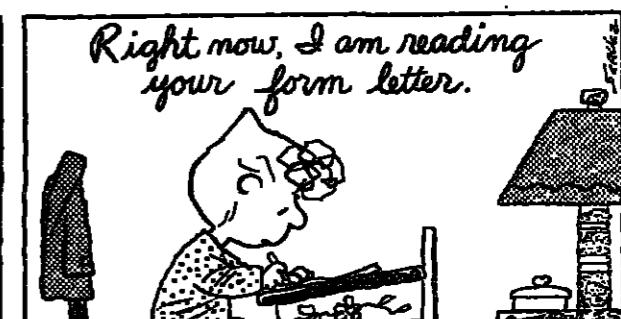


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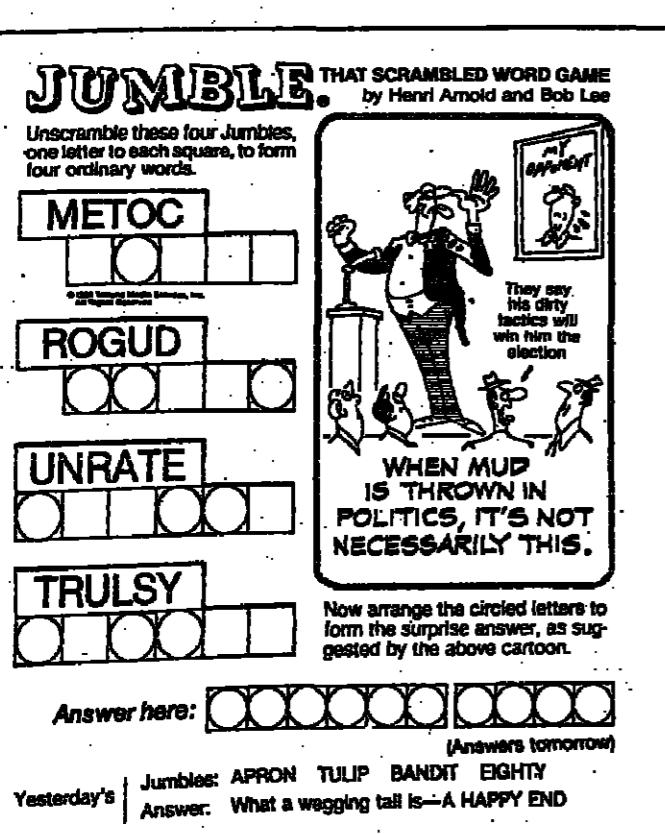
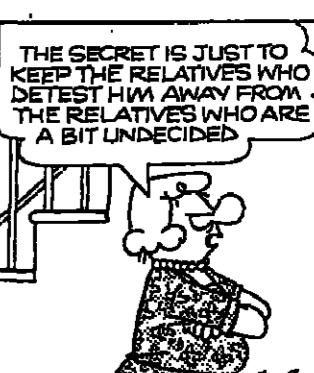
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Answer: What a wagging tail is—A HAPPY END

S. Africa extends state of emergency

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — President P.W. Botha Friday extended the two-year nationwide state of emergency for another year and tightened restrictions on the news media.

The continuation of the emergency, after it was due to expire at midnight, had already been anticipated by politicians.

His proclamation, which means hundreds of prominent activists will remain in jail without charge, was assailed by anti-apartheid leaders.

White women from the Black Sash Civil Rights Group stood along highways in Johannesburg during the morning rush hour with posters saying: "Apartheid is the emergency."

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu said extension of the emergency "is a pointless and bankrupt exercise" that "aggravates South Africa's crisis." The Reverend Frank Chikane, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, said activists must "intensify our call for comprehensive economic sanctions against this apartheid regime."

Botha's announcement came two days after blacks ended their biggest and longest general strike against the government. Black labour federations said about 1,000 of the workers who took part in the protest have been detained without charge since December 1986.

The new emergency decree took effect immediately upon publication of a special government gazette in Pretoria. New

restrictions in the gazette bar all media from quoting any spokesman for an outlawed or restricted organisation, effectively silencing members of major anti-apartheid groups that were banned in February from conducting political activities.

Existing press restrictions were tightened to prohibit news media from reporting that journalists had been barred from the scene of protests. Another new section requires local news agencies to register with the government.

These domestic news agencies, many of them aggressive in covering anti-apartheid activity, could be ordered to submit all dispatches to a government censor before publication, the regulations say.

Another section gives the government power to extend the suspensions of two anti-apartheid newspapers, *New Nation* and *South*, which were closed down in recent months. *New Nation's* editor, Zwelakhe Sisulu, has been detained without charge since December 1986.

"It is indeed the aspiration of the government that conditions will change to such an extent that the declared state of emergency can be lifted," Botha said in a statement.

"Intimidation and terror are

aimed at undermining the political, economic and social activities of all our communities. It is also being employed to disrupt our courts and legal procedures," he said.

The emergency regulations allow sweeping powers of detention, outlaw many forms of peaceful anti-government protest and restrict freedom of speech, press and assembly.

Helen Suzman, a long-serving member of parliament for the anti-apartheid Progressive Federal Party, said Botha's announcement was "extremely depressing, and hardly likely to restore confidence in the future stability of South Africa."

"We might just as well prepare ourselves for a permanent state of emergency," independent member of parliament Jan van Eck said. "A minority regime will not be able to govern this country without the very wide and very arbitrary powers afforded by the state of emergency."

Under apartheid, South Africa's 26 million blacks have no vote in national affairs. The five million whites control the economy and maintain separate residential districts, schools and health services.

About 40,000 people, including 10,000 children, have been detained at some point during the past two years, according to the now-banned Detainees Parents Support Committee. About 2,500 people are believed to remain detained.

Glenn strong candidate for Dukakis mate

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Glenn says the Democrats' vice presidential nominee should be a national hero, a former astronaut and a midwesterner with foreign policy experience.

"But I've talked to Neil Armstrong, and he's not interested," joked the Ohio senator about the first man to walk on the moon.

It is, of course, Glenn, himself a former astronaut, who best fits his own description of a running mate for probable nominee Michael Dukakis. And many Democratic insiders agree that the first American to orbit the earth would be a good choice.

Even Jesse Jackson's campaign manager, Gerald Austin, puts Glenn on his vice-presidential list, right behind Jackson.

"It's a great American story. You take Mike Dukakis, son of Greek immigrants, and John Glenn, a small-town boy who married his childhood sweetheart, a woman who overcame a stuttering problem — and then Glenn goes on to be the world's most famous astronaut and a U.S. Senator," said Austin, a political consultant.

And a recent California poll provides another argument for Glenn, who hails from New Concord, Ohio. Paired with Dukakis, he is the best Bush and the local favorite. California governor George Deukmejian, by 13 points in that survey.

Ruling party wins regional elections in Sri Lanka

COLOMBO (AP) — The ruling United National Party won 36 of 53 seats at stake in provincial council elections in the island's southern province. Final results from the elections department showed Friday.

An opposition leader accused the government of fraud.

Ruling party candidates won 12 seats each in the Matara, Galle and Hambantota districts that make up the southern province.

Their closest rivals, candidates in the opposition United Socialist Alliance, said extremist Sinhalese subversives of the People's Liberation Front launched attacks to disrupt the poll and intimidate voters.

"This was because there was a complete breakdown of law and order. The voters were threatened by both sides, including the government," he said.

Results from the Hambantota and Matara districts were broad-

WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

Food programme approves \$462 million

ROME (AP) — The World Food Programme Thursday approved \$462 million worth of development projects, with much of the aid aimed at sub-Saharan Africa. The U.N. agency, in a statement from its Rome headquarters after a meeting of its governing body, said that \$439 million of that sum will cover new projects. In all, the money will mean nearly 1 million metric tons of food aid. Half of the 24 projects covered by the funding are for agricultural and rural development, the statement said. Among the projects approved are plans for reforestation in Mali, food for pre-school children and pregnant or nursing women in Malawi, efforts aimed at soil conservation in China and a dairy development project in Nicaragua.

Greenpeace attempts to block U.S. navy

PALMA, Balearic Islands (AP) — Sailors aboard a U.S. navy aircraft carrier Thursday drove off boats carrying anti-nuclear protesters who tried to keep it from docking at a port on the Spanish Mediterranean island of Majorca. The environmentalist group Greenpeace said crewmen on the 317-metre U.S.S. Dwight David Eisenhower turned high-pressure fire hoses on four Greenpeace rubber launches and their 46-metre mother ship Sirius. A U.S. official who asked not to be identified confirmed that Greenpeace had "attempted to interfere with the docking," but said the Eisenhower docked successfully without damages or injuries on either side. Greenpeace official Xavier Pastora said in a communiqué the action was a protest against the Spanish government for allowing nuclear weapons in its territorial waters in violation of a March 1986 referendum. In the referendum, Spaniards voted to retain membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation on condition that Spain be kept free of nuclear weapons, the U.S. military presence in Spain be reduced and the country's armed forces remain outside the integrated NATO military command.

U.S. embassy warns of terrorist threats

PEKING (R) — The U.S. embassy in Peking Thursday warned Americans in the city of a possible terrorist attack from an unidentified "third country." An embassy spokesman said Chinese authorities had urged the embassy to inform the estimated 1,500 U.S. citizens in Peking of the threat. The warning issued by the embassy contained no specific information on a possible attack but said: "The embassy believes this reflects a genuine threat to American citizens in Beijing (Peking)." "American citizens should avoid locations known to be gathering points for Americans or foreigners, such as certain restaurants, markets and nightclubs," it said.

Landmark decision in homosexuality case

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal appeals court Thursday set aside its landmark ruling that struck down the U.S. army's ban on homosexuals. In response to the government's appeal, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals referred the case to an 11-member panel of the court for a new hearing and nullified a decision Feb. 10 in favour of a discharged gay soldier. Besides declaring the army's policy on sexual orientation unconstitutional, the February ruling was the first by a federal appeals court that said homosexuals were entitled to the same protection against government discrimination as racial minorities. No date has been set for a new hearing. The 25-judge court did not give details of the vote to refer the case to the 11-member panel.



Soviet ethnic protests continue

MOSCOW (R) — Strikes, demonstrations and street clashes are continuing in Soviet transcaucasian over a Kremlin refusal to redraw regional borders and local authorities are struggling for control in the areas at the heart of the country.

The Soviet Communist Party newspaper Pravda said Friday that marches and strikes had paralysed production, vigilantes were patrolling the streets and food was short in the Azerbaijani enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, where ethnic Armenians are defying the Kremlin refusal to make the area part of nearby Armenia.

In a separate move reflecting nationalist feeling, the party newspaper in the Baltic republic of Estonia said the creation of a new political movement there would boost democracy and restore the declining world prestige of the party and socialist system.

Sovietskaya Estonia discussed plans to set up a national front organisation to function alongside but independently of party

and government. It would be the first organisation of its kind in the country, where the party holds all political power.

In Nagorno-Karabakh a party official said protests were continuing in the region, which is administered by Azerbaijan but mainly populated by ethnic Armenians.

"People are marching around town mornings and evenings," the official told Reuters by telephone from Stepanakert, the region's capital.

Protesters are determined to keep marching until they get a response from local authorities, the official said.

Pravda said ships, factories and restaurants in Stepanakert were closed and public transport was not working.

Ethnic tension is running high and Armenians have hired vigilantes to protect themselves, but these special patrol groups have become "hotbeds of conflict, and there were a number of clashes," Pravda said but gave no details.

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'Lord of the Flies' novelist knighted

LONDON (R) — Queen Elizabeth marked her official birthday Saturday by conferring a knighthood on Nobel prize-winning novelist William Golding and making former Times editor Sir William Rees-Mogg a life peer.

Bestowing about 900 awards in the traditional bi-annual honours lists, the queen also appointed retiring NATO Secretary-General Lord Carrington a knight grand cross of the order of Saint Michael and Saint George (G.C.M.G.), the top award given for representative services abroad. Golding, a prolific author best known for the novel "Lord of the Flies," received one of 33 knighthoods awarded. He won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1983. The British government last week appointed Rees-Mogg chairman of a new body to oversee broadcasting standards.

'No sex please, we are Indians'

NEW DELHI (AP) — The law ministry has rejected a proposed fine and jail term for Indians caught having sex with foreigners, saying the plan for fighting AIDS would violate the constitution, news reports said Friday. The Indian Council for Medical Research earlier this week proposed the three-month jail sentence and fine as a way to stop the spread of the deadly acquired immune deficiency syndrome. All but one of the 12 AIDS deaths in India were people who had contracted the disease abroad, according to the council. The proposal, which did not say how the law would be enforced, prompted mixed reaction.

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Across Seoul, police reported arresting more than 500 students.

Police battled several thousand students who demonstrated in support of the reunification march in the provincial cities of Taejon, Iri, Chonju, Chonan and Kongju. Troopers fired tear gas to drive protesters back onto campus as students hurled firebombs and rocks.

Malaysian officials on health kick

KUALA LUMPUR (R) — Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mahathir Mohamad and 70 senior government officials leave Kuala Lumpur Friday night for what is described as a "fitness overhaul," the Malay Mail reported.

The 62-year-old leader and his officials are off to Malaysia's cool Genting highlands to live on fruit and vegetables and do exercises to improve their health and productivity, it said.

"We heard about two. They found bits and pieces of one on the roof and one elsewhere on the grounds," Ecsodi said.

Police said at least three rebels fired three rounds at the residence before escaping in a waiting car, but Ecsodi said the embassy was aware of only two mortar rounds.

The report did little to assuage Malaysian journalists' concerns about their personal safety.

The federal attorney general's office, under pressure from reporters and civic groups, recently offered 500 million pesos (about \$215,000) for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for Brundia's killing.

Manuel Burgueno Orduno, a widely known journalist who wrote frequently about drug trafficking in the northwestern coastal state of Sinaloa, was shot and killed in his home there Feb. 22. Three men entered his house as he and his family were mourning the death of his father. The assailants escaped.

The state is a notorious centre for the illegal drug trade, and related violence has prompted general concern among residents.

The Sinaloa Journalists Association stages demonstrations outside the attorney general's office in Culiacan, the state capital, on the 22nd of every month to protest the slaying.

Alejandro Sicares Rivas, president of the association, said 10 reporters, most if not all of whom also wrote about drug trafficking, have been killed in Sinaloa in the past decade.

"Not one murder has been solved. We want to know why," Sicares said.

Sicares, news editor for the daily Culiacan newspaper Debate, said police have told him they have tried to solve the murders.

"They told me that the murder of journalists is very complicated, that they possibly are very well-planned," he said.

But, he added, "it's not possible to sit at our typewriters and have the ghost of death looking over our shoulders."

OSLO (AP) — Four Israeli citizens were remanded in custody by an Oslo probate court Thursday. Charged with illegal import of 1.5 kilogrammes of heroin, the Norwegian narcotics police announced. Two Israeli men were ordered held for eight weeks pending further police investigations and two Israeli women for four weeks each. Six Norwegians, most of them with previous criminal records, were also ordered held in custody for various periods from eight weeks to seven days. Truls Fyhn, head of the police narcotics section, announced that all 10 were arrested Wednesday.

Tension mounts on Namibian border

JOHANNESBURG (R) — South African and Cuban forces were massing in bushland on the Angolan-Namibian border Thursday, prompting fears of a major confrontation.

Pretoria announced it was calling up reservists to counter a thrust down Angola's West African coast which had brought Cuban units to within 12 kilometres of the frontier with South African-ruled Namibia.

Army Chief General Janine Geldenhuys said a force of up to 12,000 Cubans and black fighters had formed a 450 kilometre belt along the western end of the border.

Western diplomats said the Cubans' motives were unclear but their deployment on Namibia's doorstep could force Pretoria into a pre-emptive strike.

Geldenhuys returned from the area Wednesday and told a brief-

ing for South African military correspondents: "The situation is serious... but we can handle it."

He reported a minor skirmish last week between his men and a Cuban patrol near a hydro-electric power station at Ruiacana on the border.

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